Driver's License Expiration Notice Senate File 312

Last Action:

Senate Transportation Committee

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Executive Summary Only

An Act relating to advance notification of the need to renew a driver's license and making an appropriation.

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NOTES ON BILLS AND AMENDMENTS (NOBA)

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY NOTES ON BILLS AND AMENDMENTS

SENATE FILE 312 DRIVER'S LICENSE EXPIRATION NOTICE

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO THE CODE OF IOWA

• Senate File 312 requires the Department of Transportation (DOT) to send a notice on or about the first day of each month to each person whose driver's license is to expire in the following month. The notice may be sent to the licensee's address, or may be sent electronically by prior arrangement of the licensee. The Bill provides a standing appropriation to the Department from the Road Use Tax Fund of an amount sufficient to pay the costs of providing the notification.

FEE FOR NOTICE BY MAIL

- Based on a five-year average, the number of driver's licenses renewed annually is approximately 573,000.
- The cost to send the notice by mail is \$0.27 per notice, and includes labor, postage, and supplies.
- If sent electronically, the notice would be sent to an e-mail address provided by the licensee at no cost.
- Costs to the Department associated with programming would be \$65 per hour, and are anticipated to be minimal.

FISCAL IMPACT

• The estimated fiscal impact of SF 312 cannot be determined, as the number of notices sent by mail versus electronically is unknown. The following is a range of the percentage of notices that may be sent by mail and the associated annual costs. Costs would be paid from the Road Use Tax Fund:

· 25.0%: \$39,000

. 50.0%: \$77,000

• 75.0%: \$116,000

. 100.0%: \$155,000